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1. HUMAN RIGHTS: CARTER U.N. ADDRESS AND OTHER ADMINISTRATION
MOVES GIVEN GOOD PLAY.

(A) DOUGLAS STRANGLIN BY-LINER, APPARENTLY FROM UPI WAS
GIVEN A FIVE-COLUMN INSIDE-PAGE HEADLINE BY MARCH 19 PRO-
GOVERNMENT "DIARIO DE NOTICIAS" --"ACCORDING TO OFFICIAL
REPORTS: HUMAN RIGHTS VIOLATIONS IN ALL PARTS OF THE
WORLD." LEAD WAS: "PRESIDENT CARTER SAID HE WOULD MAKE
HUMAN RIGHTS A WORLDWIDE MATTER AND HE DID IT. AFTER
SIX WEEKS OF ACTION HE HAS MANAGED TO EXASPERATE THE
SOVIET UNION, IRRITATE ARGENTINA, AND ALARM THE
SUPPORTERS OF DETENTE,"

(B) UNSIGNED ANALYSIS IN MARCH 18 PRO-SOCIALIST "A
LUTA" SAID "JIMMY CARTER IS A MORALIST, BUT HE ALSO
IS A PRAGMATIST. IT IS REAFFIRMED... THAT HE WILL
NOT USE AN IDEOLOGICAL WEAPON TO OBTAIN CONCESSIONS
IN THE MILITARY AND ECONOMIC AREAS. HIS POSITION
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IN THIS REPECT, AS IS CYRUS VANCE', IS DIAMETRICALLY
OPPOSED TO THAT ASSUMED BY NIXON AND KISSINGER.
IN THE PRACTICAL REALM, CARTER IS CONVINCED THAT
BREJHNEV WANTS QUICK CONCLUSION OF THE SALT II ACCORDS...
FOR AUTOITARIAN REGIMES (IN WHOSE COUNTRIES) HUMAN
FREEDOMS AT TIMES FACE A SINISTER SIDE, THE U.S.
POSITION (ON HUMAN RIGHTS) IS DIFFICULT."

(C) WEEKLY CENTRIST "TEMPO" OF MARCH 17 CARRIED REPORT DATED RIO DE JANEIRO SIGNED BY "CORRESPONDENT" JAIME SILVA. WRITER SAID BRAZILIAN REJECTION OF U.S. MILITARY ASSISTANCE, RE U.S. HUMAN RIGHTS REPORTING OUT OF BRAZIL, WAS "AN INDIRECT BUT CLEAR STATEMENT THAT IT (BRAZIL) WILL NOT ACCEPT A CLASSIFICATION WHICH PUTS SOME COUNTRIES IN A PRIMARY CATEGORY AND OTHERS IN A SECONDARY CATEGORY. THE ATTITUDE TAKEN IS A REPLY TO TWO INTERFERENCES BY THE U.S. IN INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF BRAZIL, WHICH THE U.S. CONSIDERED AS ITS 'BACK YARD' -- AS IT DID THE REST OF LATIN AMERICA -- FOR MORE THAN A CENTURY" WRITER SAID U.S. MILITARY ASSISTANCE HAD BEEN LITTLE USED BYR

BRAZIL OF LATE "BECAUSE IT WAS TIED TO THE PURCHASE OF OBSOLETE MATERIALS." HE ADDED THAT IT WOULD "BE DIFFICULT TO AVOID A REAPPEARANCE AMONG THE BRAZILIAN PEOPLE OF ANTI-AMERICAN SENTIMENTS COMMON DURING THE TIMES WHEN BRAZIL REALLY WAS A PART OF THE 'BACK YARD'..."

2. RFE/RL LEFTIST "DIARIO POPULAR" ON MARCH 17, PICKED UP ON PAGE 7 .5#3 "IZVESTIA" ITEM CRITICIZING PORTUGAL FOR RENEWING RARET CONTRACT.

3. SOARES U.S. VISIT: MARCH 17-18 PRESS CARRIED REPORTS STATING THAT PRIME MINISTER SOARES WOULD VISIT NORWAY MARCH 27-29 AND THE U.S. IN APRIL -- NO DATE GIVEN-- FOR TALKS WITH PRESIDENT CARTER AND TO RECEIVE U.N. UNCLASSIFIED

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